GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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CIGARETTE PRODUCTION WITHOUT LICENCE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government is aware that the cigarettes are being produced without obtaining licence under the ID & R Act, 1951;

(b) if so, details of such manufacturers, State-wise; and

(c) the steps likely to be taken by the Government to curb the activities of such manufacturers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN).

(a) to (c) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 license to manufacture cigarette is required by factories where for manufacturing with the aid of power, 50 or more workers, or for manufacturing without aid of the power, 100 or more workers, are working or were working on any day during the preceding 12 months. No case of manufacture of cigarettes in violation of the provisions of the aforesaid Act has come to the notice of the Government.